

Superfund Reforms Overview

FY 2000

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STATUS

Round 1 Announced June 1993: Completed 17 of 17 reforms

Round 2 Announced February 1995: Completed 19 of 19 reforms

Round 3 Announced October 1995: Completed 24 of 26 reforms

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH FY00

- T **Construction Completions:** 757 NPL sites, 87 of which were completed during FY00
- T **Refining CERCLIS:** Archived over 32,300 CERCLIS sites, more than 500 of which were archived during FY00
- T **Brownfields:** Awarded 364 assessment pilots - up to \$200,000 per pilot; awarded 105 Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund pilots
- T **Updating Remedies:** Saved approximately \$1.3 billion of future response costs by updating 350 remedies, 62 of which were updated during FY00 for savings of approximately \$100 million
- T **National Remedy Review Board:** Reviewed 51 site decisions for an estimated savings of over \$80 million
- T **Community Involvement:** Published final TAG regulation; compiled a compendium of useful experiences and approaches with community involvement in the remedy selection process; developed a supplement to the Risk Assessment Guidance, a video and a brochure on citizen involvement in risk assessment process; established 66 community advisory groups at sites across the country
- T **Enforcement Settlements:** Cumulative value of private party commitments since inception of Program is \$18 billion; 68% of FY00 non-Federal remedial actions initiated by private parties
- T **De Minimis Parties:** Settled out over 22,800 *de minimis* parties under 460 settlements
- T **Prospective Purchaser Agreements:** EPA has signed more than 150 prospective purchaser agreements
- T **Orphan Shares:** Offered \$194 million in orphan share compensation at 118 sites across the United States between FY96 - FY00
- T **Site Specific Special Accounts:** Collected over \$566 million, established 158 accounts, and accrued over \$107 million in interest for a total of over \$673 million
- T **Removal Actions:** Conducted over 6,500 removal actions at hazardous waste sites to immediately reduce the threat to public health and the environment.